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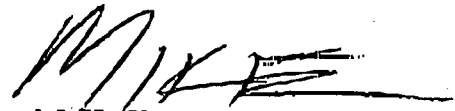
Mr. David Dwinell  
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Dear David:                      SUBJ: Levin Richmond Terminal Berth Maintenance Dredging

I would like to handle both Levin and Time Oil maintenance dredging at the same time (because they are adjacent to each other on the Richmond Santa Fe Channel) for economies of scale. The Time Oil berth dredging SAP is approved and I have Time Oil's approval to proceed with the testing. The Levin situation is more complicated: Levin Berth A is on the Santa Fe Channel next to Time's berth while Levin Berth B is in the Lauritzen Canal. I was hopeful that I could reach an agreement with the Port of Richmond and DTSC to place some of the Berth B DDT contaminated sediment in the Port's confined disposal site, but they have now refused that option. Therefore, Berth B sediments will have to be handled in a manner similar to the EPA's Superfund clean-up of the site. Consequently, Levin desires to leave Berth B as is until a solution for disposal is reached with DTSC and the EPA and concentrate on just maintenance dredging Berth A.

Please calendar the previously submitted SAP for both Levin Berths A and B for consideration at the next DMMO meeting, but I am only requesting approval or modification and approval of that portion of the SAP which addresses Berth A. Once I have an approved SAP for Berth A, I will have the testing done and submit the results of both the Levin Berth A and the Time Oil berth testing to the DMMO for consideration of an appropriate disposal site.

Sincerely,



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